

13. (1) Each such license shall specify :

Licenses
what to
contain.

(a) the name of the person to whom it is granted ;

(b) the limits within which the manufacture, excavation or collection under it is to be carried on ; and

(c) the place where the salt or salt-earth so manufactured, excavated, collected or removed is to be stored ;

and shall be in such form and contain such conditions as the Commissioner, subject to the directions of Government, from time to time prescribes.

(2) The Collector may, at any time, call for any such license and alter or amend it in accordance with the conditions so prescribed.

(3) A register of licenses granted under this section shall be kept in the office of the Collector.

14. The Governor in Council may, from time to time, make rules for Power for Government to make permitting the excavation, collection or removal by any person or class of persons, in any local area or place defined in such notification, of salt-earth, rules for permitting excavation, without a license from the Collector, and may in such rules frame such provisions as he shall deem fit for limiting and regulating such excavation, collection or removal of salt-earth or removal of salt-earth without a license, and prescribe the uses to which salt-earth so obtained may be put.

15. Every village-officer shall communicate to a salt-revenue-officer or to a Magistrate, or to an officer in charge of a police-station, within three days after the same shall come to his knowledge, any information which he may obtain of the manufacture, excavation, collection or removal of salt or salt-earth without a license or of any new formation of natural salt in or near his village.

CHAPTER IV.

PRIVATE SALT-WORKS.

Proprietors entitled to manufacturing licenses.

16. The proprietor of a private salt-work who has by virtue of a sanad, Special and granted by the British or any former Government, a special and permanent rights of right to manufacture salt, or to excavate or collect natural salt, shall, unless manufac- turing salt to be recog- his salt-work is suppressed under section 24 of this Act or has been suppressed nized.

¹ For the Sind Salt Rules, see Bombay Local Rules and Orders.

under section 33 of the ¹Bombay Salt Act, 1873, be entitled, on application, to a license for such purpose. Bom. Act VII of 1873.

Rights of
ordinary
proprietors
of existing
salt-works.

17. (1) Except as is hereinafter otherwise provided, every proprietor of a private salt-work, to which section 16 does not apply and which is being lawfully worked at the time when this Act comes into force, or which was lawfully worked at any time within three years next before the date on which this Act comes into force, shall, unless his salt-work is suppressed under section 24 of this Act or has been suppressed under section 33 of the ¹Bombay Salt Act, 1873, be entitled, on application, to a license to manufacture salt or to excavate or collect natural salt at such work : Bom. Act VII of 1873.

(2) Provided that the Collector may at any time withdraw or withhold a license from the proprietor of any salt-work to which section 16 does not apply, if no salt shall have been manufactured, excavated or collected in such salt-work for the three years ending on the thirtieth day of June last preceding the date of his order or, with the previous sanction of the Governor in Council, if such salt-work shall not have produced, on an average, during the said three years, at least five thousand maunds of salt per annum.

Control of Works.

Chaukis and
preventive
stations
may be es-
tablished by
the Collector
in or near
salt-works.

18. (1) The Collector may, for the purposes of this Act, cause chaukis to be erected in such places as he thinks fit within a private salt-work, and the proprietor or licensee of the salt-work shall have no claim for compensation for the ground occupied by such chaukis.

(2) The Collector may also, for the purposes of this Act, station such salt-revenue-officers and other persons as he deems fit within the limits of a private salt-work, and establish ² preventive stations wherever he thinks fit in the neighbourhood of any such salt-work.

Disposal of
sifted or
refuse salt
at a private
salt-work.

19. (1) The Collector may, at any time, by written notice, require the licensee of a private salt-work to store in heaps any sifted or refuse salt which may be lying on such work, or, at such licensee's option, to destroy the same.

(2) If the licensee shall fail, within ten days from the date of service of any such notice, either to store in heaps or effectually to destroy the same, the Collector may cause the salt to be effectually destroyed and the cost of so doing shall be recoverable by him from the licensee of the salt-work.

(3) The decision of the Collector as to whether any salt is sifted or refuse salt shall, for the purposes of this section, be conclusive.

¹ Repealed by this Act, s. 2 (c), *supra*.

² For notifications declaring certain Bandais to be preventive stations, see Bombay Local Rules and Orders.

20. (1) When any heap of salt in a private salt-work has been opened and a portion of it removed, the salt-revenue-officer in charge of the salt-work may, by written notice, require the licensee of the salt-work either to remove the remaining portion of the salt in such heap or to reheap and secure the same in such manner as the said officer shall deem sufficient.

Heaps of salt at a private salt-work when opened to be entirely removed or reheaped.

(2) If the licensee shall fail to comply with such notice within three days from the date of service thereof, the officer aforesaid may offer the salt remaining from the heap for sale, and, if the price offered be not less than the duty leviable thereon, may sell it. If the price offered be less than the amount of the duty, he may cause the salt to be destroyed, and the cost of so doing shall be recoverable by him from the licensee of the salt-work.

21. (1) Any salt-revenue-officer not lower in rank than a sarkarkun may, by written notice, require the licensee of a private salt-work :

Power for certain salt-revenue-officers to require licensees of private salt-works to repair or reconstruct places for storage of salt or to provide for protection of salt or to repair store-houses.

(a) to repair or reconstruct any embankment, platform or place for the storage of salt within such salt-work ;

(b) to protect, in any manner which shall appear to such officer sufficient, by thatch or in any other mode customary in the locality, any salt stored upon any such embankment, platform or place ;

(c) to repair, to such officer's satisfaction, any store-house, building or premises used for the storage of salt manufactured, excavated or collected at such salt-work on which duty has not been paid.

(2) If the licensee shall fail to comply with such notice within twenty days from the date of service thereof, the officer aforesaid may cause the necessary work to be executed, and the cost of so doing shall be recoverable by him from the licensee of the salt-work.

22. If the salt-revenue-officer aforesaid shall be of opinion that unless any such work as is mentioned in the last preceding section is executed without delay, the salt-revenue will be endangered, he may, by written notice, and after recording his reasons for so doing in writing, require the licensee of the salt-work to execute the said work within such period as may be reasonably sufficient for the execution thereof, and, if the licensee fails to comply with the notice within such period, may cause the work to be executed ; and the cost of so doing shall be recoverable by him as aforesaid.

Provision for execution of emergent works.

23. (1) The Collector may, by written notice, require the licensee of a private salt-work, within a reasonable period to be prescribed in such notice, to his satisfaction :

Power of Collector to require licensees of private salt-works to construct, reconstruct,

(a) to construct within or adjacent to such salt-work a store-house or other building or premises for the storage of salt manufactured,

alter or extend store-houses or to construct places for the storage of salt.

excavated or collected at such salt-work, on which duty has not been paid ; or

(b) to reconstruct, alter or extend any existing store-house or other building or premises used for the storage of such salt as aforesaid ;

(c) to construct within such salt-work any embankment, platform or place for the storage of salt.

(2) If the licensee shall fail within the prescribed period to comply with such notice, the Collector may cause the necessary work to be executed ; and the cost of so doing shall be recoverable by him from the licensee of the salt-work.

Suppression of private Salt-works and Determination of licenses.

Power for Governor in Council to suppress a private salt-work or to suspend or withdraw license, if the licensee offends against this Act ; or to fine the licensee if an offence is committed by any person employed at a private salt-work.

24. (1) If the licensee of any private salt-work, or his agent, has been found by an authority competent in this respect to have committed any offence punishable under this Act, the Governor in Council may suppress such salt-work, or suspend or withdraw the license to manufacture, excavate or collect salt thereat or to remove salt therefrom.

(2) If any such offence is committed by any person employed at a private salt-work, the Governor in Council may impose a fine not exceeding one thousand rupees on the licensee of such work, unless the said licensee establishes, to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council, that all due and reasonable precautions were exercised by him to prevent the commission of such offence.

(3) For the purposes of this section the decision of the Governor in Council as to whether any such offence as aforesaid has been committed shall be conclusive.

(4) If any fine imposed under this section is not paid forthwith, the amount thereof may be recovered, upon application by the Collector, by any Magistrate, as if the same were a fine inflicted by such Magistrate.

Acquisition of private salt-works under Act X of 1870.

25. Whenever it shall appear necessary to the Governor in Council to obtain the ownership of any private salt-work with a view to suppressing it, he may proceed to acquire such salt-work under the provisions of the ¹ Land X of 1870. Acquisition Act, 1870.

Power to destroy suppressed and unlicensed salt works.

26. Whenever, under any of the provisions of this Act, a private salt-work is suppressed, or a license to manufacture, excavate or collect salt at or to remove salt from any salt-work is withheld, suspended, or withdrawn, the Collector may flood the said work with water or take such other measures as he may deem fit for preventing the manufacture or the spontaneous production of salt therein.

¹ See now the Land Acquisition Act, 1894 (1 of 1894,) Genl. Acts, Vol. IV.

27. (1) Salt in store at any private salt-work on the date when it is suppressed or when a license for the manufacture, excavation or collection of salt thereat or the removal of salt therefrom is withheld, suspended or withdrawn, may be removed by the licensee of the salt-work within the period of six months from the said date, and for the purpose of such removal the license shall for the said period be deemed to continue in force.

Removal of salt from suppressed and unlicensed private salt-works.

(2) The Collector may cause any salt which remains at any such salt-work after the expiry of the said period of six months to be put up for sale, and if the price offered be not less than the duty leviable thereon may sell it. If the price offered be less than the amount of the duty, he may cause the salt to be destroyed.

CHAPTER V.

REMOVAL OF SALT FROM SALT-WORKS OR GOVERNMENT WAREHOUSES.

128. No salt shall be removed from any salt-work or from any Government warehouse or store, otherwise than on account of Government, except under a authority and subject to the terms and conditions of a permit to be granted by a salt-revenue-officer empowered in this behalf.

Removal of salt from a salt-work or Government warehouse without a permit prohibited.

129. No such permit shall be granted until after payment of the duty and other charges, if any, payable to Government in respect of the salt intended to be removed, nor except upon a written application for the same.

Permit to be granted only after payment duty and charges and on a written application.

130. (1) The duty and other charges, if any, payable to Government shall be paid to such officer as the Commissioner from time to time directs¹; and he shall give a receipt for the payment in such form as the Commissioner may prescribe.

Payment of duty and charges.

(2) If the officer authorized to receive the said payment is the same salt-revenue-officer who is empowered to grant the permit, the amount of the duty and other charges, if any, payable to Government in respect of

¹ For rules issued under ss. 28 to 35, for the sale of salt from the Maurypur Mach Salt-works, see Bombay Local-Rules and Orders.

² For rules relating to the receipt of Government duty and the price of Baragra salt manufactured at the Pritchard salt-works, see Bombay List of Local Rules and Orders.